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SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG

SONIC AND AMY THE HEDGEHOGS AND KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA ARE TRAPPED IN A NEW LOCATION WITHOUT EXPLANATION. HOLD ON TIGHT! THERE'S NO TIME FOR RELAXATION BECAUSE WE'VE GOTTA GO FAST!

THIS IS ANOTHER FINE MESS YOU'VE GOTTEN US INTO, SONIC!

ME? HOW DO YOU FIGURE THAT, KNUCKLES?

DING
DING

DING

DING

YEAH!
THIS HAS TO BE ONE OF DOCTOR EGGMAN'S TRAPS. SONIC DIDN'T BRING US HERE.

no thanks
for the
memories!

Part
Two

CELEBRATING 15 YEARS OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

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THINK ABOUT IT, AMY.

NONE OF US WOULD BE HERE IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOUR BOYFRIEND.

I'M NOT HER "BOYFRIEND."

DING

DING

DING

"IF SONIC HADN'T INVOKED CHAOS CONTROL DURING A BATTLE AGAINST EGGMAN ON OUR WORLD..."

"...WE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SUCKED THROUGH A DIMENSIONAL RIFT AND TRAPPED ON EARTH!"

I HAVE ALL THE CHAOS EMERALDS NOW, EGGMAN!

GIVE UP OR FACE THE CONSEQUENCES!

WHAT'S THAT?

I HOPE SONIC'S ALL RIGHT.

WHATEVER'S HAPPENING, IT'S SONIC'S FAULT!

*THIS HAPPENED IN THE FIRST EPISODE OF THE SONIC X TV SHOW.



SO WHAT SHOULD I DO?

LET EGGMAN GET AWAY WITH CONQUERING OUR WORLD AND EARTH?

WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE YOU?

SOME DAY, ONE OR MORE OF US MAY NOT SURVIVE ONE OF YOUR BATTLES!

SONIC DIDN'T START THIS WAR. IT ALL BEGAN WHEN EGGMAN TRIED TO CONQUER OUR HOME.

I WON'T LET HIM CONQUER ANY PLANET I LIVE ON!

ALMOST EVERY TIME YOU GET INTO A FIGHT WITH EGGMAN, YOUR FRIENDS GET MIXED UP IN IT, TOO!

BELIEVE ME--IF
EGGMAN LEFT US
ALL ALONE, I'D
HAVE NO REASON
TO FIGHT WITH
HIM.

HA HA HA!

EGG-
MAN!

HA
HA
HA!

KNUCKLES,
WAIT! THAT'S
NOT DOCTOR
EGGMAN!

HA
HA
HA!

YOW!

HA
HA
HA!

HA
HA
HA!

LOOKS
LIKE WE
GRABBED YOU
JUST IN
TIME!

HA
HA
HA!

MEANWHILE, CHRISTOPHER THORNDYKE AND HIS GRANDFATHER CHUCK SEARCH FOR SONIC, KNUCKLES, AND THE OTHER OTHER-WORLDFLY FRIENDS AT THE TEMPLE OF THE MASTER EMERALD ON ANGEL ISLAND.

SO THAT'S IT?
SONIC, AMY, TAILS, EVEN
KNUCKLES--THEY ALL
LEAVE EARTH WITH-
OUT EVEN SAYING
GOOD-BYE?

I'M GOING
TO BE ALL
ALONE
AGAIN.

NOT ALL
ALONE, CHRIS.

I'M
STILL
HERE.

DO YOU THINK
THEY ALL WENT
BACK TO THEIR
HOME PLANET,
GRANDPA?

IT'S
POSSIBLE.

WHY WOULD
THEY LEAVE
WITHOUT
TELLING
ME?

MAYBE THEY DIDN'T HAVE
A CHOICE. MAYBE THEY
JUST VANISHED, LIKE
VECTOR, ESPY, AND
CHARMY.*

BUT I DON'T
THINK THEY'VE
LEFT. MY SCANNER IS
PICKING UP THE *ENERGY
SIGNATURE* OF THE
MASTER EMERALD--
AND IT'S *STILL ON
EARTH!*

IF WE FIND THE
MASTER EMERALD,
THEN WE'LL FIND
KNUCKLES! HE'D
NEVER LEAVE
WITHOUT IT!

AND HE
MAY KNOW WHERE
SONIC AND THE
OTHERS ARE!

BEEP
BEEP

BEEP
BEEP

*AS SEEN IN THE LAST ISSUE.

KNUCKLES IS WITH SONIC AND AMY, BUT NONE OF THEM KNOW WHERE THEY ARE.

HERE, TAKE A COUPLE OF THESE.

WHY?

THEY PROTECT YOU FROM GETTING HURT.

HA HA HA!

LET'S WRAP THIS UP!

HA HA HA!

PONN
PONN
PONN
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THIS WOULD BE EASIER IF I HAD MY HAMMER!

HA HA HA!

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR HAMMER?

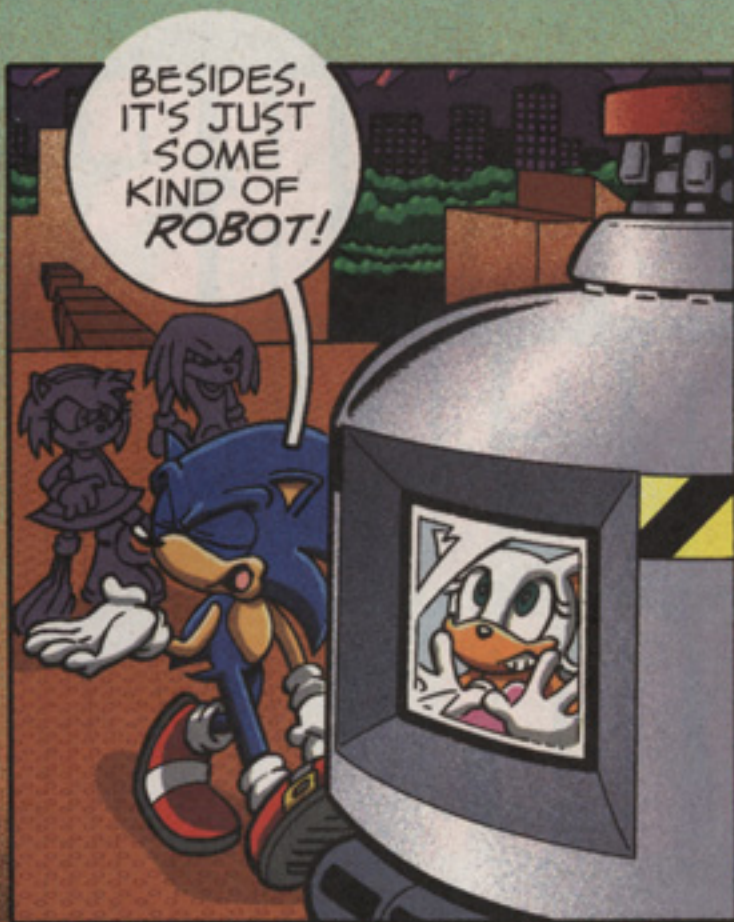
EVER SINCE I GOT TO THIS PLACE, I CAN'T FEEL IT ANYMORE.

HA HA HA!

GET HIM!

BOOM!

DON'T BOTHER. YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH HIM.



BESIDES,
IT'S JUST
SOME
KIND OF
ROBOT!



ROUGE!

YOU BETTER
BELIEVE IT,
BIG BOY!

THIS
BAT IS
BUSTIN'
OUT!



YOW!

NOW
WHAT?



I'D SAY
WE'RE BEING
MOVED TO THE
NEXT LEVEL!

CRACK



SPLASH

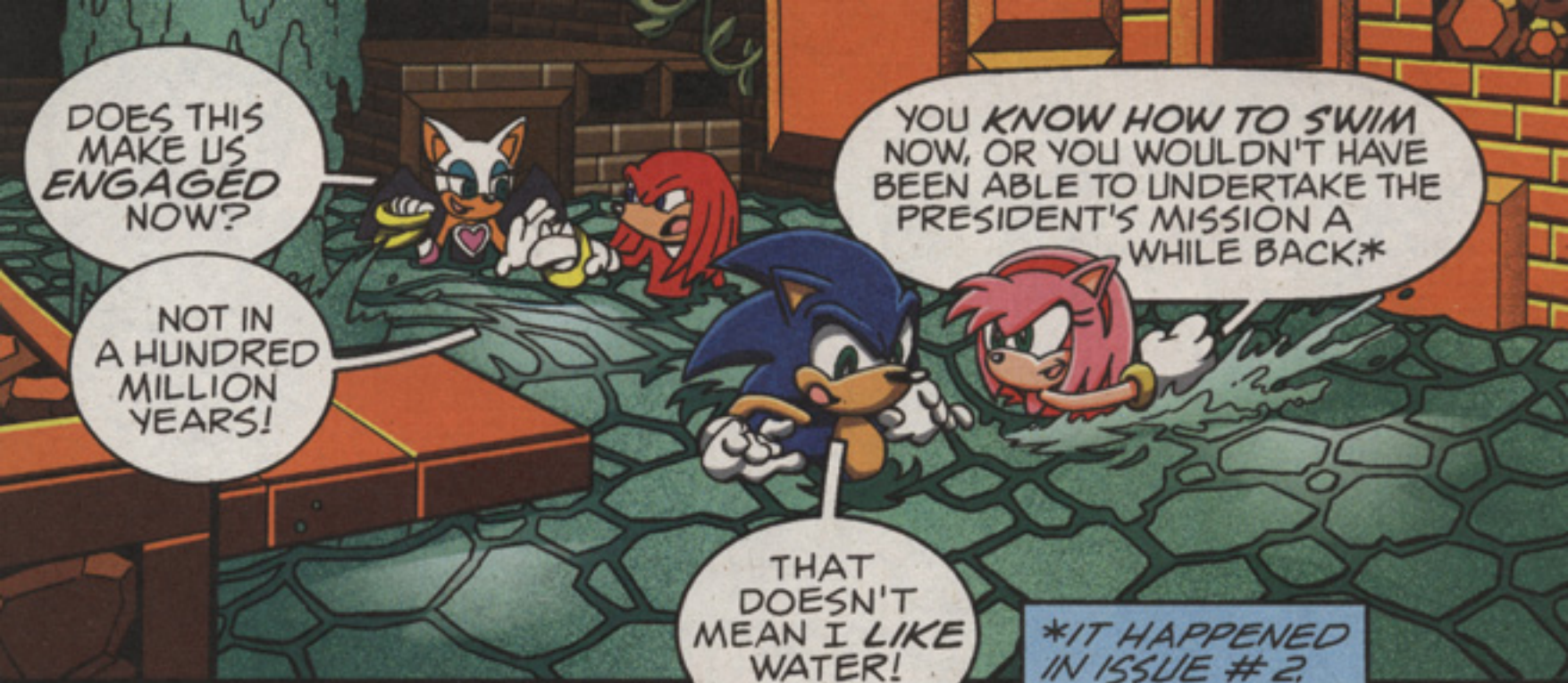


HMMMMM.
PRETTY LITTLE
THINGS, JUST
LIKE ME!

YOU'VE
GOT TO
SHARE THOSE
RINGS, ROUGE
THEY PROTECT
US FROM
ATTACKS.

WATER!
I HATE
WATER!

MISTER TANAKA'S
BEEN GIVING
YOU *SWIMMING*
LESSONS IN CHRIS'S
SWIMMING POOL.



DOES THIS
MAKE US
ENGAGED
NOW?

NOT IN
A HUNDRED
MILLION
YEARS!

YOU *KNOW* HOW TO *SWIM*
NOW, OR YOU WOULDN'T HAVE
BEEN ABLE TO UNDERTAKE THE
PRESIDENT'S MISSION A
WHILE BACK.*

THAT
DOESN'T
MEAN I *LIKE*
WATER!

**IT HAPPENED
IN ISSUE # 2.*

WHEN I DID THE
MISSION FOR THE
PRESIDENT, I HAD
DIVING GEAR.
I DON'T THIS
TIME.

DON'T
WORRY,
SONIC.
WE'LL
PROTECT
YOU!

I HATE WATER.
I HATE WATER.
I HATE WATER.

YIKES!

BLAST!
THE WATER'S
SLOWING
ME WAY
DOWN!

THOSE
FISHBOTS
GOT BY ME!

OUCH!



BLOOP
BLOOP

RUNNING
OUT OF
AIR!

I WISH I
HADN'T DROPPED
MY RING!

GASP GASP

I
WONDER
WHAT
THIS
DOES...?

I GUESS I
SHOULDN'T
HAVE STEPPED
ON THAT
BUTTON!

WHOOOSH!!



HA
HA
HA!

HA
HA
HA!

THERE'S
THAT FAKE
EGG MAN,
BUT I CAN'T
REACH HIM
TO BOP
HIM!



HA
HA
HA!

WHAT
HAPPENED
?

SPLASH!

I CAN'T
FLY FOR
SOME
REASON.



HA HA HA!

I THINK
THERE'S A
WAY OUT
OVERHEAD.

WELL,
HURRY!
THE WATER'S
ABOUT TO
OVERTAKE
US!

MEANWHILE, AT THE SOUTH POLE, WHERE DR. EGGMAN IS HIDING OUT ABOARD HIS EGG CARRIER...

WHEEEEEEE!
ISN'T THIS A
HOOT!?!

WE DON'T
KNOW. YOU
WON'T LET
US PLAY.



THIS PROGRAM
DOESN'T HAVE A
CONTINUE UNLESS
SONIC ENTERS THE
SPECIAL STAGE.

SINCE HE
HASN'T DONE THAT,
I DON'T DARE LET
YOU BUNGLING
BOTS FOUL UP
MY GAME!

THE BOSS
SEEMS EVEN MORE
INCOHERENT THAN
USUAL, BOCOE.

I DON'T THINK
A DICTIONARY IS
GOING TO HELP
US THIS TIME,
DECOE.

WE STILL
DON'T
UNDER-
STAND...

...THE POINT
OF THIS
SCHEME.

I DON'T CARE. HE'S
TOO DISTRACTED
TO NOTICE THAT I'M
EATING ALL THIS
NUTBALL CRUNCH
ICE CREAM. YUM!

I AM GOING TO
PERMANENTLY
REMOVE SONIC
AND ALL HIS FURRY
LITTLE FRIENDS
FROM THIS PLANET
ONCE AND FOR ALL.

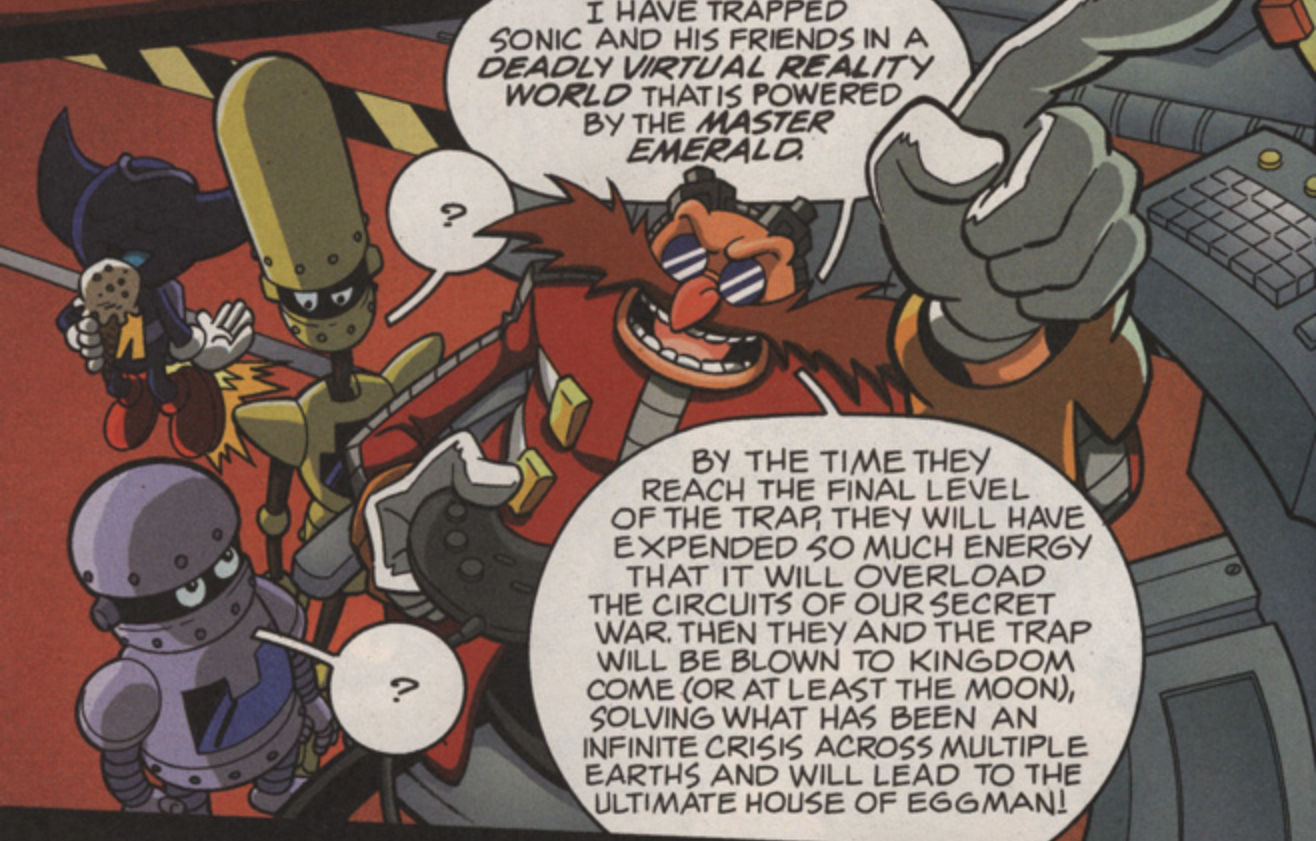


THEN *NOTHING* CAN
STAND IN THE WAY OF
ME CONQUERING THIS
PATHETIC PLANET!
HA HA HA HA HA HA!



BUT HOW
EXACTLY DOES
THIS DEATH
TRAP WORK?

SIGH
IT'S *SIMPLE*,
REALLY...



I HAVE TRAPPED
SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS IN A
DEADLY VIRTUAL REALITY
WORLD THAT IS POWERED
BY THE *MASTER*
EMERALD.

BY THE TIME THEY
REACH THE FINAL LEVEL
OF THE TRAP, THEY WILL HAVE
EXPENDED SO MUCH ENERGY
THAT IT WILL OVERLOAD
THE CIRCUITS OF OUR SECRET
WAR. THEN THEY AND THE TRAP
WILL BE BLOWN TO KINGDOM
COME (OR AT LEAST THE MOON),
SOLVING WHAT HAS BEEN AN
INFINITE CRISIS ACROSS MULTIPLE
EARTHS AND WILL LEAD TO THE
ULTIMATE HOUSE OF EGGMAN!



THAT DOESN'T
SOUND *SIMPLE*
TO ME, DECOE.

MAYBE HE'S
USING A
DICTERENT
DICTIONARY
THAN YOU,
BOCOE.



WOULDN'T IT BE
SIMPLER JUST TO
BLOW THEM UP
DIRECTLY?

IT *MIGHT*
BE, BUT THIS
CONTROLLER
HELPS ME DEVELOP
MY *HAND/EYE*
COORDINATION.

OOOOO!
THEY'RE
ALMOST
TO THE
STAR LIGHT
LEVEL!

BOKKUN!
ARE YOU
EATING MY
NUTBALL
CRUNCH?!

EEP!

WHERE DID THAT
ERSATZ
EGGMAN
GO?

HE
DISAPPEARED
AS SOON AS I
GOT TO THE
TOP OF THE
CAVERN.

WHERE
DO WE GO
NOW?

I DON'T KNOW.
I JUST *KEEP*
GOING.

DO YOU SMELL
SOMETHING
BURNING?

**BOOM
BOOM
BOOM!**

I GUESS
WE'VE GOT
TO BE ON THE
LOOKOUT FOR
BOMBS.

YOU
THINK?

I THOUGHT
I WAS THE
HOT STUFF
AROUND
HERE.

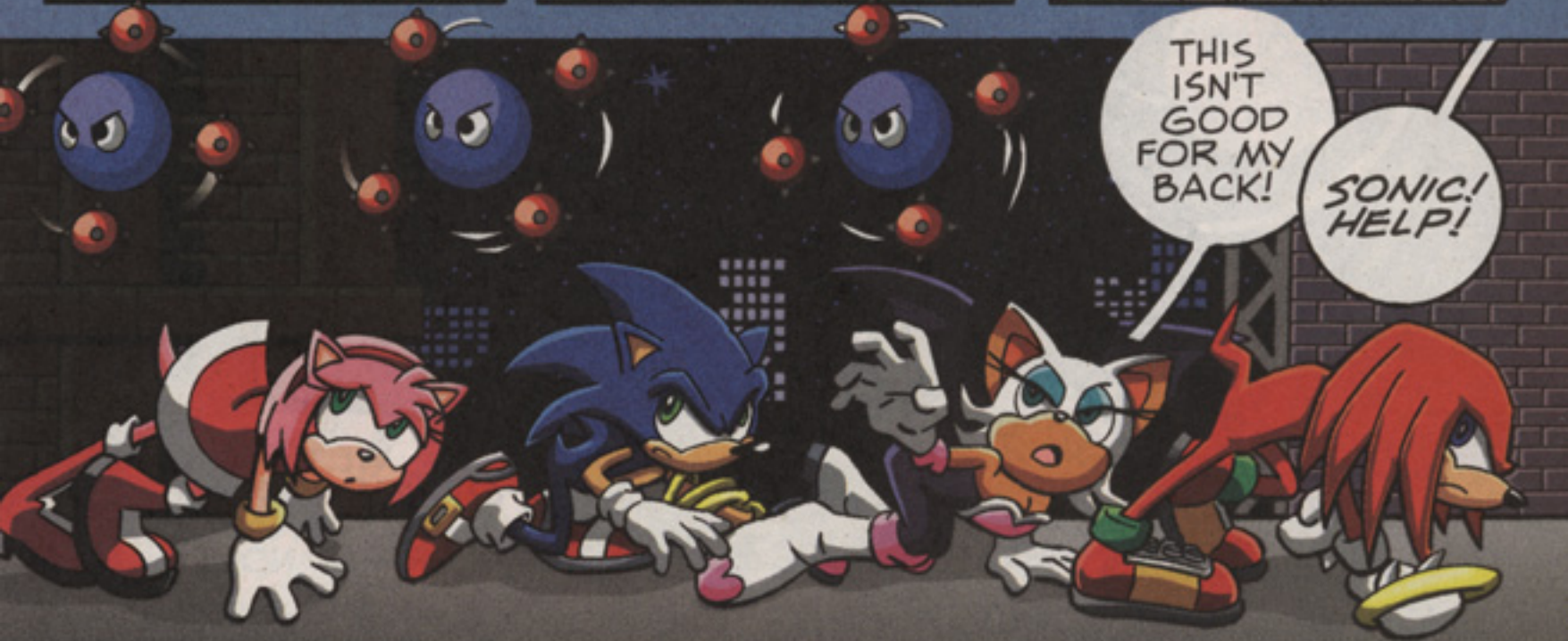
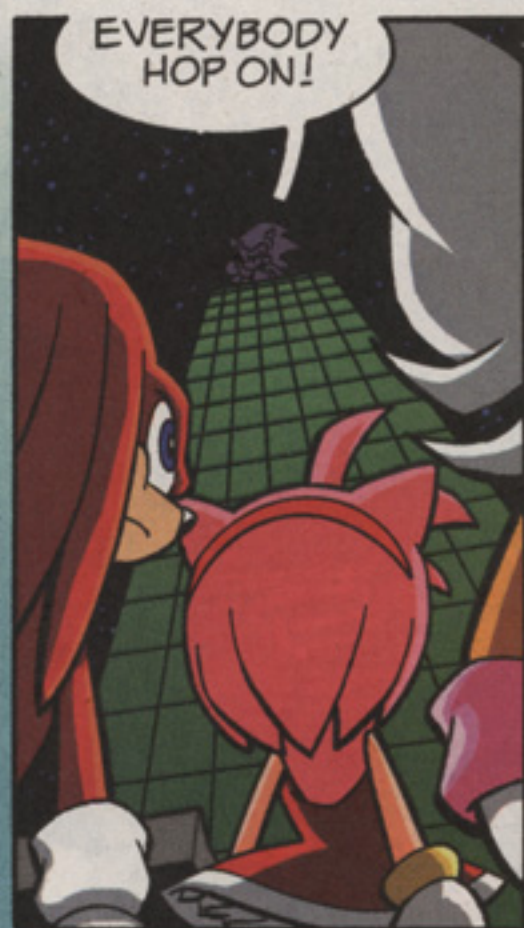
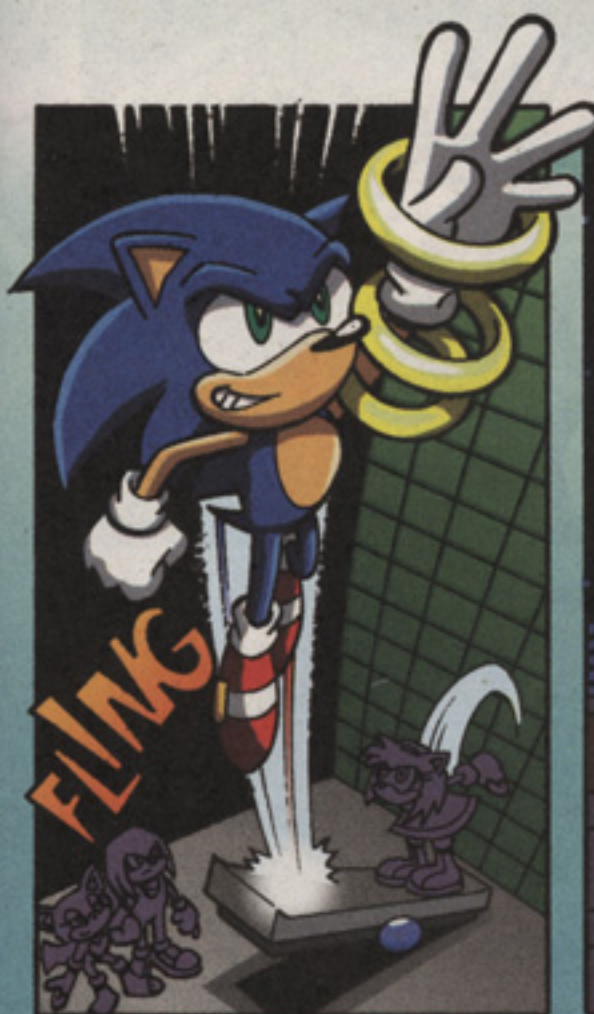
HOW
DO WE GET
UP THERE?
WE'VE ALREADY
DISCOVERED
I CAN'T FLY
IN THIS
WORLD.

AND I
CAN'T
CLIMB.

AND I
CAN'T
GET MY
HAMMERS.

SOMEONE
JUMP ON
THE OTHER
END.

I HAVE
AN IDEA...



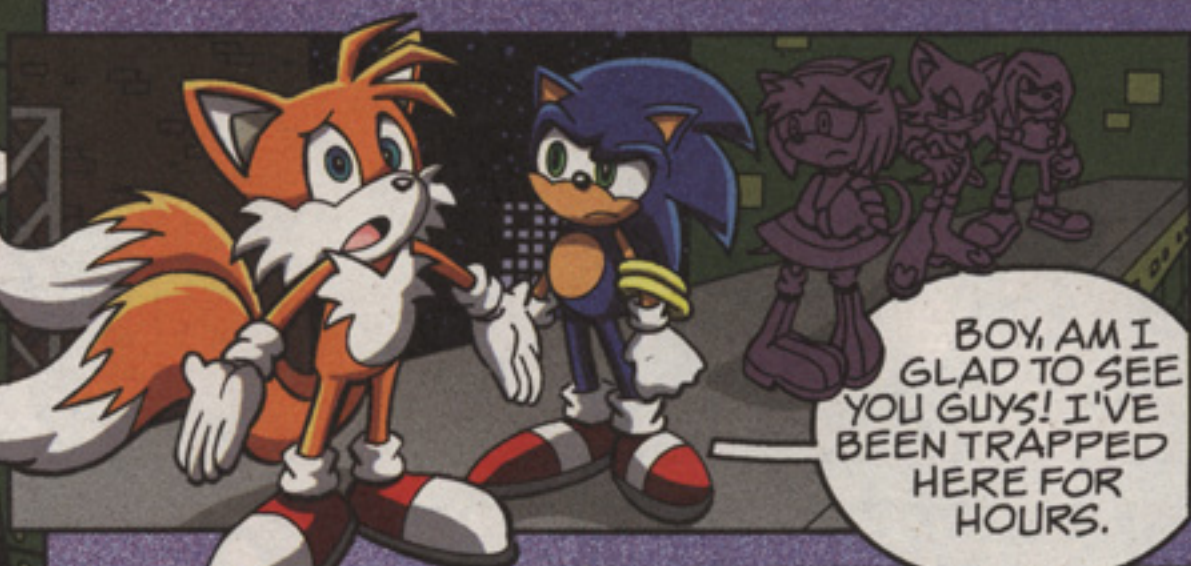


TAILS!

WE'LL
SAVE YOU,
BUDDY!



GOTCHA!



BOY, AM I
GLAD TO SEE
YOU GUYS! I'VE
BEEN TRAPPED
HERE FOR
HOURS.



HAVE YOU LEARNED
ANYTHING ABOUT THIS
PLACE?

UNTIL I
SAW YOU GUYS,
I THOUGHT IT
WAS ALL HAPPENING
IN MY HEAD--LIKE
A BAD DREAM.

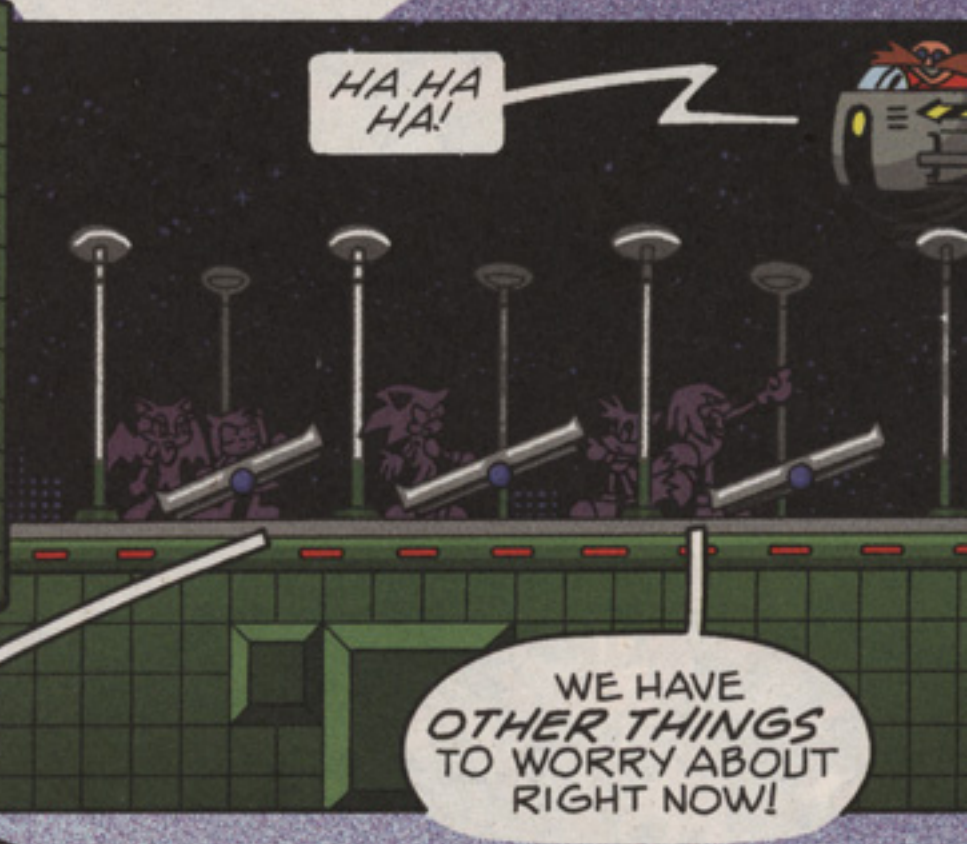


DO YOU
THINK
IT COULD
BE SOME
KIND OF
VIRTUAL
REALITY
MIND
GAME?

IT
COULD
BE,
ROUGE.

THEN
HOW DO
WE GET
OUT OF
HERE?

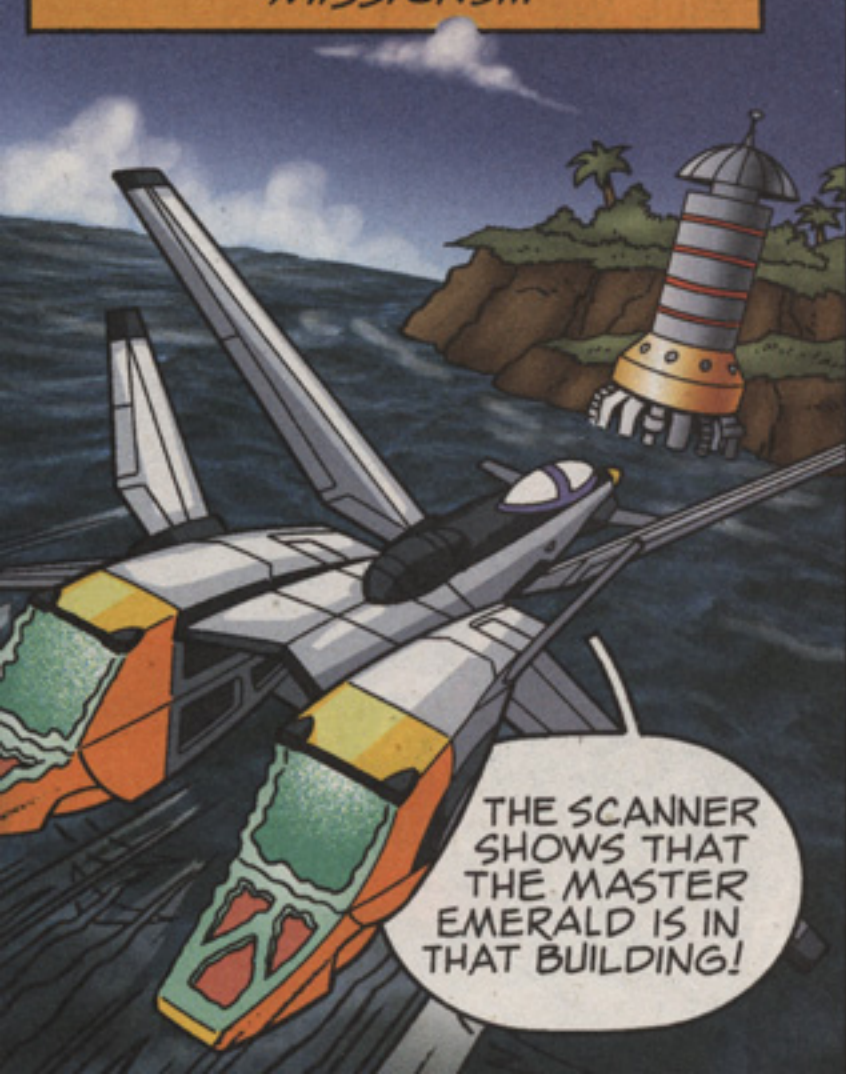
HA HA
HA!



WE HAVE
OTHER THINGS
TO WORRY ABOUT
RIGHT NOW!



MEANWHILE, THE X-TORNADO CLOSES IN ON THE MASTER EMERALD'S ENERGY TRANSMISSIONS...



HEH
HEH
HEH!

I'M
WINNING!

BUT THEY
JUST BLEW
UP YOUR GRAND-
FATHER'S
SHIP!

SCORE 7125
TIME 6:15
RINGS 0

IT'S JUST A *SPRITE* DESIGNED
TO LOOK LIKE MY *GRANDFATHER*
ROBOTNIK--THE GENIUS WHO
INVENTED THE TECHNOLOGY ON
WHICH I BASED THIS BRILLIANT
TRAP!

BESIDES--LOOK AT
THE *POWER METER*...

SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS
HAVE EXPENDED SO MUCH
ENERGY THAT THEY ARE AT
THE DANGER LEVEL.

BY MY
CALCULATIONS,
ONE MORE MAJOR
BATTLE WILL PUSH
THEM OVER THE
EDGE...

...AND THEY
WILL BE
SENT TO
THE MOON!

AND ONCE
I TRANSFORM
THE MOON INTO
THE EGGMOON,
THEY WILL BE
DESTROYED
ONCE AND
FOR ALL!

AND IF
WE DO GET
OUT, WHERE
WILL WE
BE?

HOPEFULLY
SOME PLACE
COZY WHERE
A GIRL CAN
GET TO KNOW
A BOY
BETTER.

IS THERE ANY
WAY OUT OF THIS
PLACE?

ALL I KNOW
IS WE HAVE TO
FIND A WAY
OUT OF HERE...

...AND THAT WE ALL
HAVE TO BE CAREFUL
BECAUSE NONE OF US
HAVE ANY RINGS LEFT.

LOOK
OUT!

THIS IS
NOT MY IDEA
OF HAVING
A BALL!

SONIC!
LOOK!





IT'S CREAM, CHEESE, AND VANILLA!

I HAVE TO SAVE THEM!

BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GET THERE?

WE DON'T HAVE ANY RINGS TO PROTECT US!

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS?

THE LAST TIME I OPENED ONE OF THEM,* IT HAD A SHIELD INSIDE!

* SEE LAST ISSUE!



YOW! WHAT IS THAT?

I DON'T KNOW.

BUT I FEEL LIKE I CAN DO ANYTHING!



I'M INVULNERABLE!

SONIC!

WE'RE SO GLAD TO SEE YOU.



CHAO!

THANK YOU FOR SAVING US.



WHAT ABOUT US?

I DON'T KNOW. MY INVULNERABILITY HAS WORN OFF!

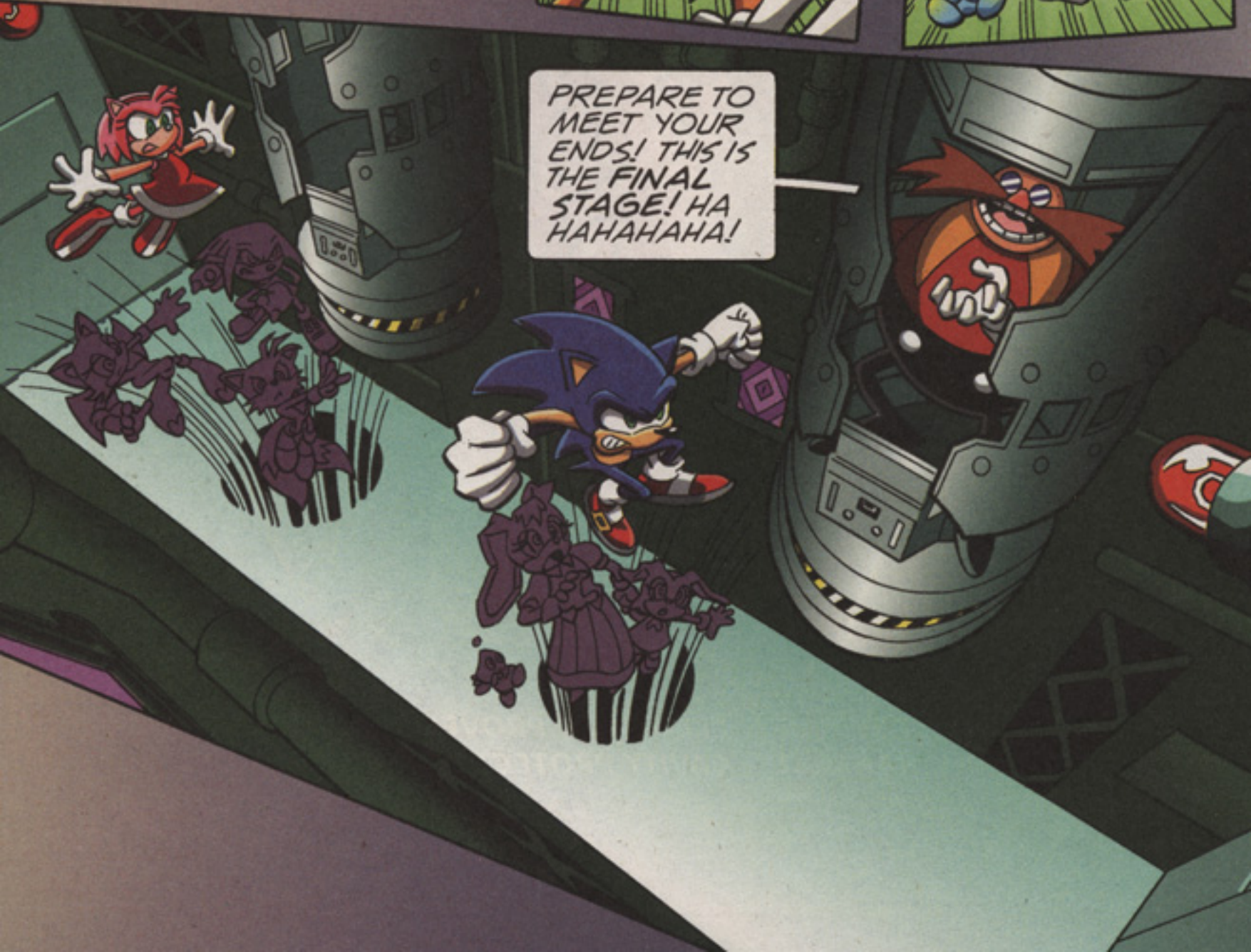
CHAO!



CHAO!
CHAO!
CHAO!



YOW!



PREPARE TO MEET YOUR ENDS! THIS IS THE FINAL STAGE! HA HAHAAAA!



HEH HEH!

I HAVE
ALMOST
WON!

FIVE...FOUR...
THREE...TWO MORE
HITS AND HIS
FRIENDS WILL GET
THE SURPRISE OF
THEIR LIVES!

TWO HITS,
ONE HIT!
NOW!

LAUNCH SEQUENCE
ACTIVATED...!
THIRTY SECONDS
TO KA-BLOOY.

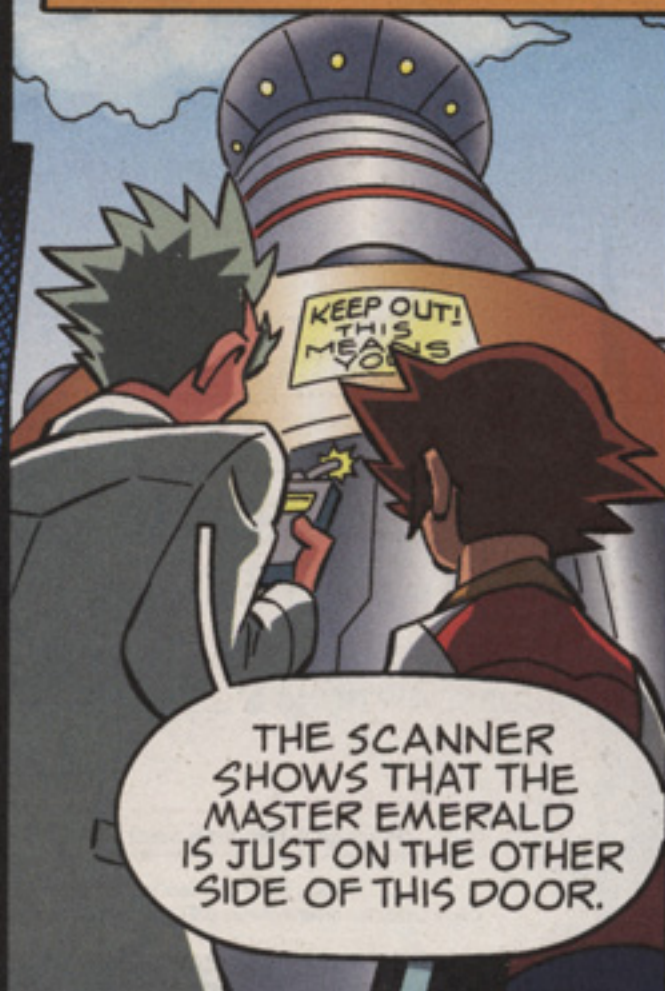
NOW
IT'S BANG,
ZOOM,
TO THE
MOON!

AND NO
ONE CAN
STOP ME
NOW!

HAHAHAHAHAHA

OF COURSE, WE ALL
KNOW HOW MUCH
DR. EGGMAN LOVES
TO COUNT HIS EGGS
BEFORE THEY'RE
HATCHED.

HE DIDN'T COUNT ON CHRIS
AND CHUCK INFILTRATING HIS
OLD BEACHFRONT LAIR.



THE SCANNER
SHOWS THAT THE
MASTER EMERALD
IS JUST ON THE OTHER
SIDE OF THIS DOOR.

SONIC!

TWENTY-FIVE
SECONDS TO
LAUNCH!

TWENTY
SECONDS
TO LAUNCH!

WHAT
HAPPENED
?

SONIC,
YOU'VE GOT
TO MOVE
FAST. EGG-
MAN HAS THIS
PLACE SET
TO LAUNCH
TO THE MOON
IN TWENTY
SECONDS!

FIFTEEN
SECONDS
TO LAUNCH!

IT'S DRAWING
POWER FROM
THE MASTER
EMERALD!

EVERYBODY!
GET OUT OF HERE
AS FAST AS
YOU CAN!

MASTER
EMERALD DIS-
CONNECTED.

LAUNCH
ABORTED.

SYSTEMS
OVERLOADED.

SYSTEMS WILL
TERMINATE IN
FORTY-TWO
SECONDS!

EVAUATE
PREMISES
IMMEDIATELY!

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IT APPEARS EGGMAN TRAPPED YOU IN A VIRTUAL REALITY WORLD THAT WAS PRIMED TO LAUNCH YOU INTO SPACE WHEN YOU REACHED A CERTAIN LEVEL.

OF COURSE. WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT?

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE WE DID IT AGAIN.

WOW, YOU GUYS WE'RE GREAT!

GUYS?! THE GIRLS STOLE THE SHOW!

DIDN'T EGGMAN'S LAIR BLOW UP A LONG TIME AGO.

THINK SO.



WAS THAT SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN?

NO! SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE FOILED MY PLANS YET AGAIN!

BUT I SHALL HAVE MY REVENGE ONCE I'VE DESTROYED EARTH'S MOON.

ARE WE GOING TO HAVE TO REBUILD THE OLD LAB AGAIN?

WAH! WE'RE OUT OF ICE CREAM!

AFTER A QUICK TRIP TO THE SUPERMARKET FOR MORE ICE CREAM, DOCTOR EGGMAN PUT HIS PLANS FOR THE MOON INTO ACTION, BUT HIS EVIL SCHEME WAS DEFEATED BY SONIC (OF COURSE!). WITH EGGMAN, DECOE, AND BOCOE IN PRISON FOR THE CRIMES OF EGGMAN CORPORATION, HOW WILL SONIC THE HEDGEHOG KEEP HIMSELF ENTERTAINED? FIND OUT IN SONIC X #12 ... "ATTACK FROM AREA 99!" LOOK FOR THE NEWEST ISSUE OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 165 FOR MORE SONIC ADVENTURE!

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